

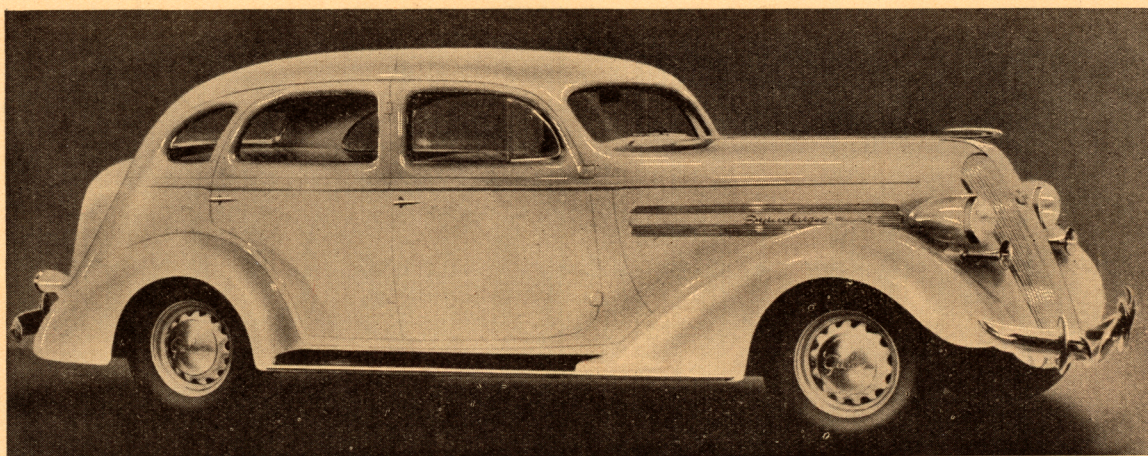
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The Club's next Race Meeting will be held at Randwick on Saturday, 9th May, 1936.

The Club Man's Diary

Aboard the "Orion" at sea the Premier (Mr. Stevens) wrote the secretary a friendly note, to quote his own words, "from a beautiful ship, with every comfort, a credit to British workmanship." He acknowledged good wishes sent him, and expressed appreciation of the kindness and thoughtfulness of the chairman and the committee.

Incidentally, the Premier will not be lonely in England, where he will meet—just to mention a few—the Federal Attorney General (Mr. Menzies), the State Attorney General (Mr. Manning) and Dr. Earle Page.



Mr. H. C. Trenam.

Sir Colin Stephen, chairman of the A.J.C., and Mr. Walter Brunton, member of the A.J.C. committee, have booked for England this month, and all sportsmen will wish them a pleasant holiday. These gentlemen will be able to see in action many of the great racing thoroughbreds about which many of us can do no more than read. The trip should provide a wonderful experience, although both have been abroad previously.

The club's treasurer, Mr. S. E. Chatterton, will be a shipmate of Mr. Brunton. Mr. Chatterton, who acted as deputy chairman during the tour abroad of Mr. W. W. Hill, is making a world voyage of it, and will be tendered a complimentary dinner by members on April 22. He

has given the club fine service and none stands higher in the estimate of sportsmen, inside and outside this rendezvous of good fellows.

Mr. H. C. Trenam, managing director of Standard Telephones and Cables (A/asia) Ltd., paused at Hobart in his trip to England to attend the opening of the Tasmanian-mainland cable link. His wife is accompanying him.

Mr. G. W. Carr, managing director of the Austral Stevedoring and Lighterage Coy. Ltd., has left with Mrs. Carr, on a trip to the U.S.A.

Another one off to America is Mr. G. S. Appelgate, managing director of Western Electric Coy. (Aust.) Ltd. He is accompanied by his wife and will be away for six months.

Add to the list of overseas voyagers among club members, Mr. L. J. Stuart, grazier, of Goolgumbra, Jerilderie, and Mr. A. G. Collins, well known Sydney solicitor.

We congratulate these gentlemen on their good fortune, and our only regrets are that we are not of the party, as some of them, at least, will be remaining for the King's Coronation and the festivities of that period.

Birthday congratulations to Mr. W. J. Candler, April 1; Mr. R. W. Evans, April 6; Mr. C. L. Fader, April 12; and Mr. P. T. Kavanagh, April 30.

May fortune pay them honour at her court,
Nor stint her measure;
May all their ships come safely into port,
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We regret to record that Messrs. A. E. ("Doggie") Wallis, Arthur Ingham and Reg. Alderson have found a spell in hospital necessary. There is nothing really serious in any case, happily, and we all trust sincerely that the shadow—through which most of us at sometime or

other seem destined to pass—will shorten, and soon the sun shine brightly on their paths. Meantime, we spare them a thought of the kindest comradeship.

On May 25, 1884, the club's membership roll gained acquisitions in Mr. J. R. Hardie and Mr. G. G. Kiss. That was how their joining up was regarded at the time, and how faithful was the estimate, has been proved 52 years after, when they have been honoured with honorary life membership. This privilege has never been lightly given, and never will be, for if you look over the list of the select few you



Mr. W. J. Candler.

will see that in every case the honour has carried its own merit.

Mr. Darcy Eccles has been in Sydney for some weeks conning over the form of the local horses. As he has the performances of the Victorians at his finger-tips, none should be in a better position to sum up the autumn prospects. The big meeting at Randwick promises to be a real Interstate test so we are prepared to accept what Mr. Eccles says, that is if he chooses to say anything.

If you want to hear a good bowls story have a quiet word—if that is possible—with Mr. Jack Cush—only gird on your armour plate before-

hand. If you would have a more subtle version engage Mr. Bert Peacock in quiet conversation. Either revised or unrevised version of the yarn is equally good. Up-to-date golf has held the record for funny stories, but believe us, there is still a kick in bowls. Rumour has it that Messrs. Peacock and Cush are running neck and neck for the first post of bowls stipendiary steward.

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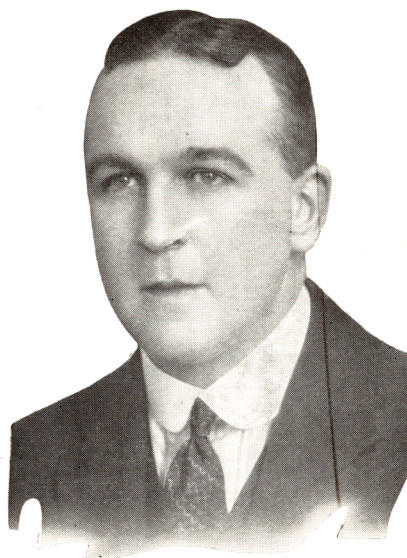
Farewell to "Derby."

Dr. Derby Loudon, who leaves for Europe shortly, was entertained by a number of his friends at Tattersall's Club on March 25. Seventy-four sat down to dinner, three coming from Newcastle to pay their respects. A greater tribute no one could ask for, and the guest of the evening must have felt a proud man when he saw the members of his profession, as well as men who have made their mark in the commercial world, who had come to pay homage to him.

It may safely be said that Derby is one of the most popular men in Sydney. His name will be remembered for many years in the football world, for he, like his brother, won fame at this sport. He has also achieved success in his profession and is esteemed by his fellow practitioners. His latest idea is to gain the highest honours on the golf links. His name is already a household word at the New South Wales Golf Club, and he recently astounded the "natives" with the skill and dexterity he displayed in winning the "southpaw" competition.

The dinner was organised by his old university pal, Dr. Yorke Pit-

tar, who acted as chairman. Those who were present will long remember the capable and witty way in which Dr. Pittar introduced each guest to his fellow guests. One would almost think he had digested an encyclopedia, so vast was his knowledge of the frailties and failings of those present. A number of



Dr. D. B. Loudon.

the medical fraternity squirmed in fear and trembling when their wares were placed before the assembled multitude. Even radiologists, those hated men who turn you inside out, displayed emotion at the secrets revealed to them that evening. Many thought they knew the guest of the evening remarkably well; yet even they were astounded to hear the chairman describe remarkable feats which Derby performed in his student days.

Proceedings were opened by the chairman of Tattersall's Club, Mr. W. W. Hill, who, among other things, told of Derby's prowess on the football field. This is a subject on which Mr. Hill is an authority, as he not only gained representative honours himself, but he acted in an official capacity for a number of years before he was elected President of the New South Wales Rugby Union. Mr. Hill was supported by Mr. S. E. Chatterton, who had many nice things to say about the guest, and he was followed by Mr. W. Goodwin, the esteemed and popular captain of the New South Wales Golf Club. One must admit that Bill was a diplomat. There was much he could have told about Derby; yet he only stressed the many excellent qualities that Derby possessed. Mr. J. Hickey waxed eloquent about Derby's great sportsmanship and the high esteem in which he is held by one and all. Dr. McElhone challenged the chairman's statement about Derby's great feat, accomplished while he was a student, and brought forward solid evidence to support his claim. Mr. C. Macleod, Jr., told the guests in dignified tones of the great esteem in which he held Derby, and Dr. Yorke Pittar unfolded some closed pages, much to the horror of the guest.

When Dr. Loudon rose to respond he received a tumultuous welcome. He thanked one and all for their kindness in attending to bid him "bon voyage" and he stressed the courtesy extended to him by the three good men who had come from Newcastle.

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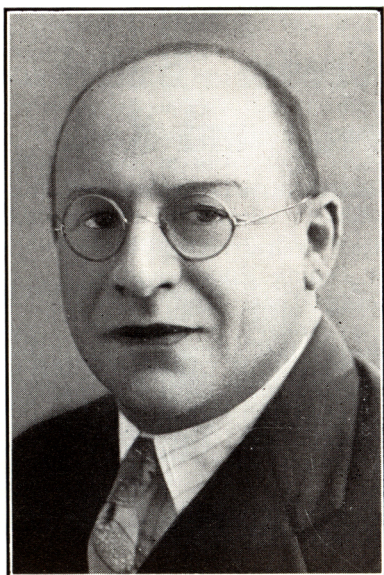
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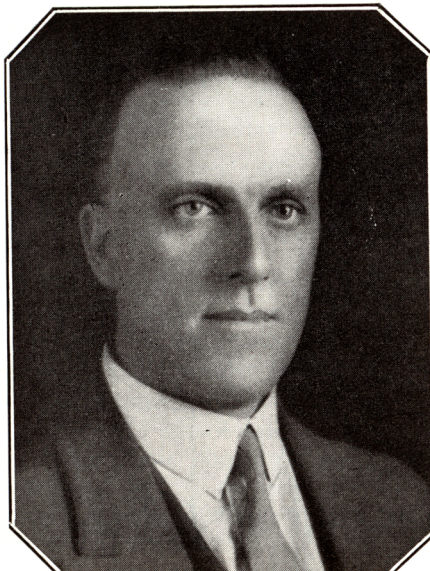
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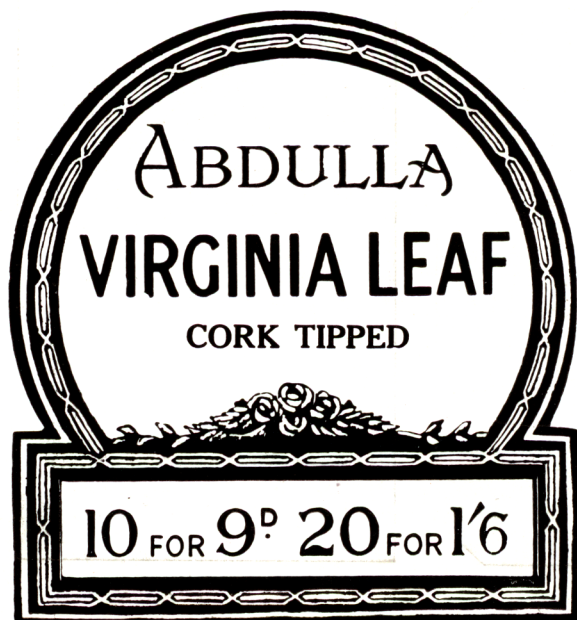
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Our Olympic Team

Tattersall's Club Olympic Games Fund Dance on April 18

Naturally there has been some controversy over the selection of the Australian Olympic team for Berlin, but, generally speaking, the team meets with approval.

Mainly criticism has been levelled at the inclusion of Victorian hurdler, Alf. Watson, who did not do better than fourth in heats eight years ago in Amsterdam, and at that of Backhouse, the Victorian middle and distance runner.

Pat Norton and Percy Oliver alone being selected.

Strangely enough the only other swimmers who could have been in the running on National Games form were women, Misses Kitty Mackay, Evelyn de Lacey and Claire Dennis, and a move has been made to have Misses Mackay and Dennis included in the team, together with that great all-round woman athlete, Miss Clarice Kennedy.

popular as the big fellow is a great help to all amateur affairs.

R. Garrard, too, is expected to do well on the mat, whilst Len Cook, the Queensland boxer, must be considered a likely Olympic winner following his Empire Games form in London.

The name of Pearce is well known to Olympic spectators, for Bob, of that name, won the Sculls at Amsterdam and Los Angeles and now a cousin, Cecil, after a series of brilliant wins in Australia, may make it a hat trick for the family at Berlin.

The Police rowing crew is almost certain to go along and if it does it should be well in it.

Last but not least comes the manager, Mr. H. G. Alderson, than whom nobody is more fitted for the position.

Rowing is his game, but his close association as chairman of the N.S.W. Olympic Council, with all amateur sports and his level headedness makes him an ideal man for the difficult task of managing an Olympic team.

Good luck to them all and Tattersall's Club members will have a chance of saying that to them in person as well as augmenting the Olympic funds by attending "Tattersall's Club" Olympic Games Fund Dance, in the Club on Saturday night, April 18.



The Commandant of the Olympic Village, Captain W. Furstner (kneeling), before a model of the Village.

The Olympic Village lies a few kilometres from the Reich Sport Field in the midst of beautiful Brandenburg landscape with its groves of silver birches and stately pines. Its attractive, sturdy houses will provide comfortable quarters for the Olympic competitors from throughout the world.

Track athletes have not done well at the Olympic Games, the only one to have won being Flack in 1896, though in jumping "Nick" Winter won the Hop, Step and Jump in 1924 at Paris.

For this latter event that great all-rounder, Jack Metcalfe is going to Berlin and as he is round about the world's record he should give the Japanese and other star men a great go.

One of the greatest students we have ever had and also one of the greatest helps to the coming man, Metcalfe is sure to be Australia's best bet at the Games.

The swimming team is the smallest ever to have been sent away, Miss

Pat Norton and Percy Oliver are both at school, therefore young enough to show great improvement and benefit from the trip.

Pat, particularly, is close enough to Olympic record time to improve on the great showing of Bonnie Mealing at Los Angeles when she swam second in the 110 yards back-stroke championship.

The cyclists are well represented by a previous winner, "Dunc" Gray, Tas. Johnson and Chris Wheeler, all of whom should do well.

Previous experience when he was third at Los Angeles should stand wrestler Eddie Scarf in good stead and his selection was particularly

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Billiards

A Night with Walter Lindrum. Billiards—Lecture—Entertainment

On Tuesday night, March 31, members and their friends were entertained in the Main Hall, with an exceptionally interesting night of billiards. World's champion Walter Lindrum, was the star in operation and with the assistance of our own member, Hans Robertson, a happy time was spent.

This billiard night differed from anything of similar nature in the past. Walter Lindrum not only delighted with his skill in making breaks, but also gave those present the benefit of his knowledge by demonstrating how to get certain shots, and, why those particular shots should be played with certain lie of the balls.

The best methods for practice were explained at length and Hans Robertson just about summed up position at the end of the exhibition by declaring he had learned more that night than all the years he had been playing the game.

Nursery Cannons.

Although three balls are necessary to make nursery cannons, the champion explained very clearly that practice for same was only done with two balls on the table. Touch (a magic word in billiards) is developed by placing one ball hard against a cushion and then placing the cue-ball a few inches away and directly behind. The object is to tap the cue-ball on to the object ball and force a rebound to the original position. This is not nearly as simple as the words might imply, and requires both patience and determination, but success can only come by its application. The lecturer, after showing what was required, later added third ball and made a series of cannons which happened so quickly and, apparently, so simply, that the audience burst into laughter.

The Run-Through.

Really amazing was the manner in which the run-through shot was shown. Practice was commenced with the object ball hard up and

the cue-ball about fifteen inches away. "This," said Walter when executing, "is very simple, but the shot becomes difficult when the cue-ball is almost touching the object ball and the run-through is necessary for twelve inches or more." Here the cue-arm action appeared more like a stab than a follow through, but it was a case of the quickness of the hand deceiving the eye. Never one was missed when played the Lindrum way.

About the Cue.

Walter had quite a lot to say about one's cue. Here are his own words:—

You want a good one of your own. Straight, nice grained wood,



Walter Lindrum.

as stiff as can be at the weight you fancy, and always well tipped. The vital thing in cue possession is confidence and forgetfulness. This does not mean that you should forget your favourite cue in a way which may give it a new owner with prowling propensities. My meaning is that once you have the cue in your hand, you should, and must,

forget it as a separate entity. It has to be part of your body otherwise you will be cue conscious and develop an inferiority complex.

As for handling the cue. You can hold it near the butt for long, swinging shots, and shorten it as you play screw or stab strokes. Your problem is to deliver your cue with a free, straight swing, but if you find you are not hitting the ball as you should, you may be certain your cueing is at fault, and must set about finding a remedy. To help you do this, I will explain a few common faults.

Grip.

Too often have players been told to hold their cue lightly for every kind of stroke. This is definitely wrong. With all due respect to my predecessors, I claim that light holding of the cue is a pernicious error. That is, as a universal rule. Naturally, you hold your cue with dainty lightness when playing gossamer-like shots in close cannon manipulation. But, when a stroke needs power, especially a screw or stun, then get hold of your cue and hit your ball with force and decision.

What you have to study in cue delivery takes place during the flash of time when the cue-tip is actually doing its work on the cue-ball. It is at this very point that the rigidity of the cue is invaluable. If the "stick" is inclined to be at all whippy, the probabilities are that the ball will be struck in more than one spot. It will buckle, although the eye does not perceive same, and the following through of the cue will give a different effect than that desired.

Do not waggle your cue about before delivery. Those unnecessary see-saw movements might well be cut out. Avoid the up-and-down action which send your cue forward in wavy movements.

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The Blue Riband of the Turf

The Romance of the English Derby

By A. Knight ("Musket")

Every country which fosters horse-racing has its important equine event. In this part of the world the Melbourne Cup, though a handicap, takes pride of place as the most-discussed race of the year. In America the Kentucky Derby is the classic most coveted, while in France the Grand Prix de Paris creates the most interest.

The English Derby, however, towers over all other races, the eyes of the world being turned towards Epsom Downs each year when that race—dubbed by Disraeli as "The Blue Riband of the Turf"—is being contested, for the entrants are recognised as the cream of the produce of England and Ireland, the two countries which breed the best blood-stock in the world; and it is from the best strains of these countries that the rest of the racing world depend to maintain the standard of their own horses. In Australia we breed some exceptionally fast horses, but few breeders care to take them as sires when their racing days are over, for the simple reason that they rarely produce sons of their own excellence. There are exceptions, of course, such as Heroic, Malster, and Wallace; but both Heroic and Malster were by imported parents, and could scarcely be described as Australian sires, though they were foaled here. Wallace, however, could be called a "dinkum Aussie," as he was by Carbine, a New Zealand-bred horse, from Melodious, who is three removes from imported blood on both sides of his pedigree. But as Wallace inherits on each side of his pedigree the best staying strains that ever left England, through Musket and Fisherman, he owes his excellence to those great stallions.

America is in something the same position as we are, for though exceptionally fast horses are bred in

that country American breeders have to keep on importing fresh blood in order to maintain the standard, their own colts often failing to establish a line of blood from which to breed. As a matter of fact, France is the only country outside of England and Ireland which can breed



"Babram."

horses capable of perpetuating the breed, and even that country has to replenish its blood with British sires every now and again.

Hence, the vast importance attached to the English Derby, which will be run this year on Wednesday, May 27. This race was first run for in 1780, when the honour of winning what is now recognised as the world's greatest classic fell to Sir Charles Bunbury's chestnut colt, Diomed. The full significance of the triumph was not appreciated at

the time, as the Derby was not for a long while deemed of much account. The nineteenth century had, indeed, lost the first bloom of its youth before public interest in the event was quickened; but from then on it became the ambition of every sportsman to win the Derby, even the Americans and the French sending representatives to measure strides with the English and Irish three-year-olds. The importance of winning the Derby, therefore, transcends all other performances, for the winner of that race is usually the colt which, later on, becomes the most sought-after stallion when his racing career has ended. More often than not, the owner of the winner will not part with him at any price; but when a sale is effected, the sum which changes hands is in the neighbourhood of £50,000—that price was paid for the 1934 winner, Windsor Lad. When Felstead won in 1928, his owner, Sir H. Cuncliffe-Owen is reported to have refused £100,000 for him. It may be mentioned that no horse is worth that sum, but the fact that it was refused will give an idea of the value placed on the winner—a value which the winner of no other race in the world can command.

A Race Full of Romance.

There is no more remarkable or more fascinating story to be culled from the annals of racing than that of Hermit, winner of the Derby in 1867. Mr. Henry Chaplin, who was 25 years of age at the time, bought Hermit for 1,000 guineas at the sale of the Middle Park yearlings in 1865. The very next lot to enter the sale-ring on that occasion was a colt by Dundee from Shot, who also realised 1,000 guineas, the successful bidder being Mr. James Merry. The youngster was afterwards named Marksman, and he ran

second to Hermit in the Derby! Six years earlier Mr. Merry had a precisely similar experience, when Dundee ran second to Kettledrum. Both colts, as yearlings, were sold at Doncaster, Kettledrum being purchased by Colonel Townley for 400 guineas, and Dundee by Mr. Merry for 170 guineas. Mr. Merry, however, had little cause to complain of his luck on the turf, but in these two instances Dame Fortune deserted him.

Had it not been for the optimism and perseverance of that well-known sportsman, Captain Machell, Hermit would not have competed in, much less have won, the Derby. Machell was one of the most interesting and striking personalities of the turf at that time. It was in 1865 that he became associated with Mr. Chaplin, and he it was who urged the purchase of Hermit at the Middle Park yearling sale; otherwise the colt would have probably been bought by the Marquis of Hastings. In a subsequent trial, Hermit broke a blood-vessel just prior to the Derby, and it was Mr. Chaplin's intention to scratch the colt, but Machell prevailed on him to allow the engagement to stand, a request which was acceded to; and the stable is reported to have won about £150,000 over Hermit at Epsom, of which the captain's share exceeded £60,000.

The Marquis of Hastings had, a year or two previously, eloped with the lady who was to have become Mr. Chaplin's wife, and how Nemesis pursued him for his treachery to a friend is shown by the fact that the victory of Hermit involved him in a loss of over £100,000. Those who knew of the reckless way in which he had laid against the horse urged him to cover the money. On the very morning of the Derby Captain Machell again and again implored him to listen to reason, assuring him that Hermit would win. It was all in vain. One can hardly imagine the feelings that welled up in the mind of this young and foolish peer when he saw Mr. Chaplin's colt win—the colt of the man whom he had wronged.

Three Disqualifications in 1844.

The story of the Derby of 1844 constitutes one of the most amazing and sensational chapters in the an-

nals of the turf. It is the story of the Running Rein scandal—of the story of a most audacious swindle. On several occasions the winner of the Derby had lain under the suspicion of being older than he ought to have been, but nobody had taken the trouble to probe the allegations. But the perpetrators of the Running Rein fraud met more than their match in Lord George Bentinck. He it was who was instrumental in unmasking their fraud. The true Running Rein was a bay colt by The Saddler from Mab; and under that description he was entered for the Derby. In 1841, when still a foal, he was purchased by a man known as Goodman, but whose real name was Goodman Levy, an inveterate gambler. The colt was straightway taken to London, where Goodman had stables. The colt who ran for the Derby in the name of Running Rein, and came in first, was a bay named Maccabeus, by Gladiator from Capsicum. The substitution of one colt for the other was alleged to have taken place in 1842, and the older colt was, in 1843, transferred to Mr. A. Wood, an Epsom corn merchant, to whom Goodman was owing a big account. The animal still continued under the control of Goodman, and when the whole affair was subsequently exposed, Wood was exonerated, and seemed to have been the dupe of the guilty parties.

After Running Rein had won the Derby an objection was entered that he was not the bay colt by The Saddler from Mab, which was sustained, and the race was awarded to Colonel Peel's bay colt Orlando, by Touchstone from Vultura.

Running Rein was not the only four-year-old to run in that Derby. Before the race an objection was lodged against Leander, another of the competitors; but the colt was allowed to start on the understanding that the stewards would go into the matter later on. The trainer of Leander scouted the idea that the colt was over three years old. During the running of the race Leander met with injuries from which he subsequently died, and so, before burying the body, the trainer cut the lower jaw off, boiled it, and sent it to a veterinary surgeon, in the confident expectation that he would declare it to be the jaw of a three-

year-old; but the vet. declared it was a four-year-old jaw. The trainer then had the head cut off and sent to another vet. in order to inspect the upper jaw, with, however, the same result. The upshot was that the owners of the colt were disqualified for life.

Nor was this all, for later on the Jockey Club held an inquiry into the running of Ratan, who had started second favourite for the Derby, and passed a resolution "warning off" Sam Rogers, his jockey. Thus there were three disqualifications in connection with this, the most sensational, contest for the blue riband of the turf.

Carbine's Descendants and the Derby.

The New Zealand-bred horse, Carbine, whom old-timers consider superior to any of the champions since his day, had his name well advertised in the great classic, as he was the sire of Spearmint, the winner in 1906, who created a record by winning the race in 2 min. 36 4/5 sec. He was one of nine yearlings sent to Doncaster from the Sledmere Stud in 1904. Though the nine averaged 1190 guineas, the auctioneer could not get a higher bid than 300 guineas for the colt by Carbine from Maid of the Mint, who afterwards became known as Spearmint, and for that sum he fell to the bid of Major Eustace Loder, who, however, was prepared to give more, for he had gone to the sale determined to buy the colt. He and his able stud manager, Noble Johnson, had been to Sledmere prior to the sale to see the yearlings, and then it was that they had picked out Carbine's son as a "lot" worth buying. Then Mr. Gilpin, who afterwards trained the colt, was called in, and he, too, was favourably impressed.

After Spearmint's arrival at the training stables he had an attack of fever which lasted five months. An illness of this sort would render nine out of ten practically useless. Referring to this incident after Spearmint had achieved fame, Mr. Gilpin said: "The marvel is not that he should be worth thousands, but so much as half a sovereign. We

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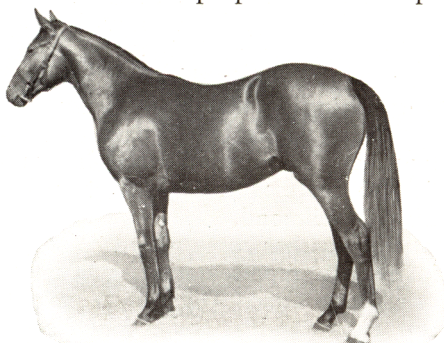
Yearling Sales

Many Fine Youngsters. New Sires

Once again the yearling lottery is on but looking over the youngsters this year suggests there are more prizes than usual. In fact, absolute blanks might be a remarkable minority.

With 618 lots catalogued for Messrs. William Inglis & Son Ltd.'s sales on Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday of Easter week, there will be plenty of racehorses in embryo to satisfy all tastes and purses.

Even a hurried survey of the available youngsters is no mean task and it is not proposed to attempt



Lot 346—B. c. Heroic (imp.)—La Bergeronnette (imp.).

to mention here more than a fraction of the likely young horses now being prepared for sale at the commodious stables at Randwick. No doubt all interested will be looking them over in and out of their boxes prior to the grand parade just before the sales. Mr. Reg. Inglis will have some good points to extol and the first progeny will come under review of some new sires in the well-known horses of a season or so ago, Veilmond, Pentheus and Koo-meela.

In the following it is proposed to take yearlings who interested as they come in a general walk-round.

If a budding champion has been missed that is just too bad, but it would appear from the records that at times even the experts have ignored the champions then unheralded and with praises unsung.

The first horse to be noted was a solid chestnut colt by Heroic from Chemosh's dam, Blue Dome. It is remarkable how Heroic stamps his progeny. He is a definitely dominant male, and from the heads over the boxes can be selected almost any

Heroic, be he chestnut or bay. The Blue Dome colt, although a mid-September foal, is well-grown and looks the part.

Another chestnut colt by Heroic from Soaring should have the family speed. He, like the Blue Dome colt, is the property of Messrs. H. S. Thompson and P. C. Basche, who are also represented by the Veilmond-Fernlyht colt, a brown like his sire, and from a young mare, the colt thus having extreme youth in both parents.

A chestnut filly from Milantheon's dam, Milan, by Heroic, took such little notice of onlookers that she refused to rise from a comfortable straw bed. Such equanimity suggested that this filly will be quite of the contented kind.

A Spearhead-Won by Waiting filly might go far later on. She looked one in no need for hurry but who would justly reward patience. There are some more Spearheads in odd places, all of whom should be good property as probable stayers.

All the way from Victoria has been sent the sister to Maid of Orleans and Maid of France, two speedsters on Melbourne courses. The Heroic filly from the Spearhead mare, Spearette, should be well-



Lot 379—B. c. Pantheon (imp.)—Girton Girl.

endowed with the family dash or appearances are very deceiving. Although a November foal, her entry into the world was early in that month and she should be right up to the mark for early two-year-old racing.

At present just lot 346 and a bay colt by Heroic from La Bergeron-

ette, this chap probably will be a turf head-liner in a year or two. Not for nothing is he a half-brother to Sylvandale. His dam, La Bergeronnette, appears to be one of those real stud assets, a mare who will breed winners to any horse, and in Heroic she has had a worthy consort.

The chestnut brother to Cereza, by Heroic from Rhea, is another likely to be sought after in Messrs. Thompson and Basche's offering. He should be bigger than his sister but if he measures up in galloping ability he will do well. He appears likely to be one of the picks of the sale.

The Bullhead horses are browns and chestnuts, one a three-quarer



Lot 294—Cb. c. Heroic—Rhea (imp.).

brother to Bulldozer, being a solid chestnut who attracts a good deal. His dam, Lovelace, is a sister to Lovebox, the dam of Bulldozer. The Bullhead-Cinnamon Leaf colt is also attractive, while the brothers to Sculpin and Butter are well worth a few moments to look them over.

Of Mr. Percy Miller's draft from Kia Ora most admiration so far has been centred on Kagal's half-brother, by Pantheon from Girton Girl. He has been done exceptionally well and if he does not gallop appearances can be more than deceiving. There will be few more attractive horses when he is in full training.

The Pantheon-Chatterbox colt, two boxes away, is a different type, but for all that a real racehorse in the making. Next door Panto's brother, by Pantheon from Sweet Land, promises to be a bigger and more robust horse than the winner

of the Derby in Perth and good handicaps in Melbourne. He is, indeed, easy to look at.

While all these three are browns the Pantheon-Pistyll colt is of the Peter Pan hue, a chestnut. He should certainly stay for his dam-imported from England, is by Steadfast, with an abundance of staying blood in the material lines on both sides.

The fillies catalogued by Mr. Miller are equally interesting specially the half-sister to Celebrate, Kori-mako, by Pantheon. She may be a bigger filly than the Rosehill winner.

Chatham's half-sister by Pantheon is just a plain and inconspicuous brown. She might be something of the ugly duckling and possibly will develop amazingly with age and training.

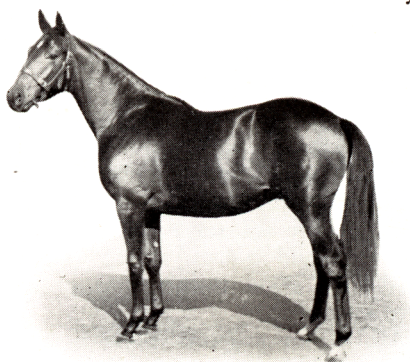
Constant Son also has his share of representatives and his colt from Nyamba should be a conspicuous racehorse. A big, bold fellow, with good bone and substance, a big white blaze will stand out in any field. His backers should have little difficulty in finding him as he rounds the turn for home. The Constant Son-Evolena colt presents possibilities, too. He is a very thick horse and in him should combine well the Constant Son and Valais blood.

Lot 398 is most interesting for it is Ranier's first foal and by Constant Son. Rampion's sister is from a family of all winners. She was the neatest of racehorses and gallopers herself if on the small side. Her first foal, a colt, is bigger and stronger than usual in the case of the first progeny of a mare.

The brown filly by Constant Son

from Ascalon has the racehorse in every part of her make-up. Ascalon, a half-sister to Boaster, was no mean galloper herself and from her looks has transmitted the ability to the Constant Son filly. Half-sisters to Merrie Miller and Pandion, both by Constant Son, look highly interesting, while the Marconigram-Caranza colt appeals both on looks and breeding. He is Caranza's first foal and a good advertisement for the family who has been well represented by Young Idea. Through Marabou, the Marconigram's have had a great advertisement this season.

The first of the Widden Stud draft is a colt by Heroic from Shepherd Princess, a likely individual. Then comes Dark Sky's



Lot 397—Br. c. Constant Son (imp.)—Evolena.

half-brother by Brazen, who should be a sprinter of some note quite early in his career. He is a real early comer. The half-brother to Rembrandt, by Brazen from the Linacre mare, Kapuya, is another who is brimful of possibilities.

The stock of Veilmond in the Widden draft are remarkable for the obvious Limond characteristics

of their sire. It will be surprising if this horse does not leave his mark as a stallion on Australian turf records. Colts from Mooch Along, Pericoe, and Sarramonga are definitely Veilmond's with both colour and conformation.

With the Silvius horses coming into their own the colts by that horse from Lady Buckwheat, Molly Crag, and St. Patricia are worthy of a second look. The Lady Buckwheat colt is the low-staying type and a good hardy bay in colour.

A Backwood colt from Honest Maid has much to recommend him also, but not so much as the Brazen-Anna Black filly, who should be one of the keenest sought after at the sale. The filly, by a proved sire from a galloping family of all winners on her dam's side, can hardly help being a first-class racehorse herself. Johnnie Jason's dam, Sweet Rosaleen, has a well-turned brown filly to represent her, another very typical Veilmond.

Pentheus has some mixed colours in his first representation, a brown colt from Grace Dighton, a roan colt from Muddy, and a bay from Pukka Lass. The roan looks something of a character and probably will be classed soon as a grey, a colouring he takes from the Roi Herode strain in his dam, Muddy.

Mr. Harry Taylor's draft are as perfectly prepared as ever, outstanding being the quality shown by the first of the Koomeelas. Koomeela was himself, an unsound horse, but for which he would have gone both fast and far. The half-brother by Koomeela to Strathardale from Pet Symington is a real aristocrat, a tribute to the preparation of his master.

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THE BLUE RIBAND OF THE TURF

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always treated him very quietly and carefully. From the first I was particularly fond of him, and had a great opinion of him. He was a beautifully tempered and happy horse."

As a two-year-old Spearmint ran three times for one small win, a second, and once unplaced. Not a very inspiring record as a recommendation for Derby honours. As a matter of fact, two of Spearmint's stable companions — Admirable Crichton and Flair — were, in the estimation of the public, by far his superior. Nobody, indeed, gave Spearmint a second thought as a candidate for Derby prospects. He was not qualified to compete for the Two Thousand Guineas; in fact, the Derby was his first engagement as a three-year-old. Though his merits were known to the stable, it was not until the eleventh hour, so to speak, that he was called upon to undergo a preparation for the Derby. Admirable Crichton had begun to deteriorate before the end of his two-year-old days, and a poor performance in the Two Thousand Guineas seemed to extinguish his chance at Epsom. But there was Flair, whose public form made her out to be the best of her year. She won the One Thousand Guineas in hollow style, and nothing seemed more certain than that she would win the Derby. So much so that Sir Daniel Cooper, the filly's owner, and Major Loder, had arranged that Flair should alone represent the stable at Epsom, and that Spearmint should be specially trained for the Grand Prix de Paris.

But this plan was entirely upset by the complete breakdown of Flair a few days after she had won the One Thousand. Mr. Gilpin then began to hurry on Spearmint's preparation, and the Newmarket critics discovered that they had been entertaining an angel unawares. From 20 to 1, the odds against Spearmint contracted within a few days to 6 to 1. And yet to many it seemed unbelievable that even such a power-

ful stable could put forward three successive favourites for one Derby — first Admirable Crichton, then Flair, and then Spearmint.

Spearmint was never favourite for the race, but was second in request to Lally, who started at 4 to 1. There were 21 runners, and Spearmint, ridden by the American jockey, Danny Maher, always held a forward position. Turning into the straight, Troutbeck and Picton were running side by side, with Spearmint creeping up on the outside. A quarter of a mile from home the three were practically in line. At the distance, Picton took a slight lead, but the moment Maher showed Spearmint the whip he bounded to the front, and thenceforward his success was assured. Spearmint won in decisive style by a length and a half from Picton, with Troutbeck two lengths further off.

Ten days later Spearmint won the Grand Prix de Paris, for which he started an odds-on favourite. The colt was accompanied to Paris by hundreds of English sportsmen, who made their presence "felt" in more ways than one. They raised their voices to good purpose when Spearmint, after a most thrilling struggle, flashed past the winning-post a neck in front of the outsider Bruleur, for it had been 20 years since the last English horse had won the Grand Prix.

Shortly after returning to his English quarters, Spearmint developed leg trouble, and never raced again. In all, he started in five races, and won three, besides being once second, and earned the respectable total of £17,393; so that there was a fair margin of profit left after deducting the 300 guineas he cost at Doncaster. In addition, he sired a Derby winner in Spion Kop, and a second in Zionist; while Spion Kop begat Felstead, another Derby winner. Last year, Felstead's son, Field Trial, ran third to Bahram and Robin Goodfellow. Had Field Trial won instead of running third, Carbine would have been represented in the Derby by four generations of winners; but Felstead is still a young stallion, and he may yet follow in the footsteps of his sire and grand-sire, by begetting a winner of this great race.

Motoring

Traffic Dangers—Motorists as Taxpayers—Tyre Troubles—Headlight Trimming—Battery Attention.

With all the hue and cry about traffic dangers and consequent serious injury, the question has been brought up regarding the easy manner by which some drivers become possessed of licenses. It is argued that much more than a mere driving test should be exacted and that the person seeking permission to control a high powered machine on the road should have other qualifications than stopping, starting and steering.

In many countries, examination of candidates requires suitable knowledge regarding ethics of the road and general courtesies so necessary for safe traffic. Actually, a great number of accidents have been traced to the fact that one party concerned had refused to do the decent thing and give way despite that the second party had the right of the road. Cross-examination in Court has proved same, but the damage had been done and expense and time wasted at considerable cost and inconvenience, where "playing the game" would have prevented all the trouble.

Latest figures to hand show that in the past six years, motor owners of the Commonwealth have contributed £31,556,692 in petrol and excise duty. Of this sum £12,407,850 has been allocated to the various States for road programmes, whilst the balance has been utilised to pay the debts or commitments of the country. Truly, the motor-man is a force with which to be reckoned.

By natural evolution, steel bodies are becoming more and more common. This has caused engineers to invent suitable machinery for manufacturing the various parts and in this regard, a new triple-action 800 ton press has been evolved overseas, to shape the rear panels of sedan cars. The press stands 25 feet high, weighs 268 tons, and costs round about £20,000. It stamps out from flat metal, four panels a minute.

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Contract Bridge

(By E. V. Shepard, Famous Bridge Teacher)

A Serious Omission

The following hand was published last September, relating what happened to the 9 declarers of the North and South hands. Six tables played at heart calls. Three bid small slams and made grand slams, on various blind opening leads. Of the 3 South players who bid 7-Hearts, 2 fulfilled their contract, and 1 went down a trick, because the opening lead was a diamond. Two tables bid 6-No Trumps and made grand slams. The ninth table bid and made a grand slam at no trumps for top score.

The South player who bid 7-Hearts and went down a trick on a diamond lead received bottom score. The article quoted part of his comments, made after the hand had been played. A second article was to follow, explaining some of the safest and simplest methods whereby South may fulfil his grand slam contract at hearts, even against the opening diamond lead. I mislaid the follow-

up article, so that it never appeared, causing a stream of letters of protest, as naturally would be expected.

The salient points to be noted are: South should not risk leading 2

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♥ None	♥ K Q 8 7	♥ 9 5 4 2
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3		
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	♦ A 6 5 4 2	
	♣ A K	

clubs before pulling trumps; he should allow for the possibility that one opponent may have 4 trumps; he must rid his hand of his own 2 black Aces before starting to pull hearts; South's K of clubs can be discarded upon dummy's K of spades, before dummy's 4 good clubs

are led and after trumps are pulled; the final lead of trumps must be made from dummy.

Having looked out for each of the above precautions 4 of declarer's diamonds may be discarded upon the 4 good clubs as led from dummy. Having a surplus trump South may ruff dummy's third spade, assuring the grand slam. Two spade tricks, 4 trump tricks, 5 club tricks, 1 diamond trick and 1 ruff by South will yield the grand slam.

If South wishes he may overtake the K of diamonds with his Ace. He needs only 1 trick in that suit. If South wishes to win the first trick with dummy's K that will be all right. Having won the first trick in dummy the declarer may gain entry to his own hand by leading a spade, a low trump or a club. One lead is as good as another for that purpose. Having rid South's hand of both black Aces the grand slam cannot reasonably be missed.

BILLIARDS

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Correct mistakes as you discover them; you will never make a billiard player unless you do. Deliver your cue straight and smooth, hold it as you find best to this end. Do not be over-orthodox. You have your own individuality and same should be reflected in your play. Champions of the past have played with methods very different from my own, and I found that, so far as I was concerned, it was akin to putting on the brake, to follow in their footsteps.

Trick Shots.

After the exhibition game of billiards in which the champion conceded Hans Robertson 500 points in 1000 up and won with his points to 621 (highest breaks 255, 172, 129) he delighted with a series of fancy shots.

With the green snooker ball placed in a pool basket, Lindrum jumped the white into the neck of the basket, left the cue-ball inside and forced the green out!

He played a cannon round the snooker triangle as illustrated on this page. Made nine cannons and a pot red with one stroke, which he was pleased to term the "Bombardment Shot!" Played masse shots the full length of the table, and short fairy-like masses when the cue-ball travelled but a few inches, but performed fantastic movements en route.

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When Bill put up a Pool record for 100 yards of 54 1/10 secs., Bruce helped him along on the job.

Thus it was fitting that our new member, in his first race with the Club, should have recorded the fastest time over 100 yards put up since Kendall did his startling clocking.

Bruce was handicapped on 59 secs. for his first race and it was just his hard luck that though he recorded 55 2/5 secs., he should have struck Cuth. Godhard's return to form, the latter improving his time by four seconds.

Hans Robertson, in the same race, swam 58 3/5 secs., and we had to hand Hans congratulations over his fine swim in helping North Bondi to win the Australian Surf Teams' Championship at Bondi.

In the Athletic Department, the game of deck tennis has gained a great hold and the rivalry is very keen.

But they've evolved a new and more strenuous game of deck tennis by using a medium weight medicine ball weighing about twelve pounds.

Foremost of the clan is John Pooley, though he we have heard it suggested that John should have pity on the others and throw underhand.

The Club wishes good luck to Jim Kendall and son Bill, who leave for America soon en route to the Olympic Games.

Only illness prevented Bill from being a selected member of the Aus-

tralian team. After witnessing the Games, Bill will study in U.S.A. for about four years.

John Samuel Cup.

There were some peculiar breaststrokes in the 40 yards "John Samuel" breaststroke handicap and it was just as well none of the eagle-eyed A.S.A. referees were on deck when the race was swum.

Best time of the day was by Dave Tarrant, who revealed great frog paddle ability to record 29 secs.

New member Pick, swimming his first race with the club, showed them all how by winning the event.

The race resulted—1st Heat: A. Pick (36), 1; J. Miller (37), 2. Time, 34 2/5 secs. 2nd Heat: A. S. Block (39), 1; A. Richards (34), 2; W. Edwards (32), 3. Time, 37 secs. 3rd Heat: J. Dexter (31), 1; H. Robertson (33), 2; K. Hunter (36), 3. Time, 29 4/5 secs. Final: A. Pick, 1; J. Dexter, 2; A. S. Block, 3. 34 2/5 secs.

With the 220 yards and diving events to be swum the leaders in this years' Point Score are:—H. Robertson, 5; L. Hermann, A. Pick and J. Dexter, 4; A. S. Block, 3; A. Richards, D. Tarrant, K. Hunter, C. Godhard and W. S. Edwards, 2.

Here are the leaders over the three years during which the Cup has been up for competition: J. Dexter, 21; V. Richards, 18; K. Hunter, 18; A. Richards, 15; A. S. Block, 13; C. Godhard, 11.

Dewar Cup.

The further they go the further Sammy Block increases his lead in the Dewar Cup contest.

Eight and a half points is a handy lead and there appears to be every chance of seeing Sam filling the cup again in August and then taking it home to put on the family sideboard for "keeps."

The leading points up to 25th March were:—A. S. Block, 40½; V. Richards, 32; D. Tarrant, 30; A. Richards, 29; C. Godhard, 29; J. Dexter, 27½; L. Hermann, 23½; H.

Robertson, 23; M. Murphy, 22; G. Goldie, 20.

Point Score Races.

5th March, 80 yards:—A. S. Block (59) and A. Richards (50), tie, 1; J. Dexter (53), 3. Times, 58 and 49 secs.

12th March, 40 yards:—A. S. Block (25), 1; M. Murphy (27), 2; L. Hermann (21), 3. Time, 24 2/5 secs.

19th March, 100 yards:—C. Godhard (73), 1; V. Richards (61), 2. Time, 69 secs.

February-March Point Score:—A. S. Block, 11½ points, 1; C. Tarrant, 10, 2; A. Richards, 9, 3; V. Richards, 7, 4; L. Hermann, 6½, 5; C. Godhard, 6, 6.

March-April Point Score:—With two races to be swum to complete it this series stands: C. Godhard, 5; A. S. Block, 5; V. Richards, 4; M. Murphy and L. Hermann, 3; S. Carroll, A. Richards, D. Tarrant and K. Hunter, 2.



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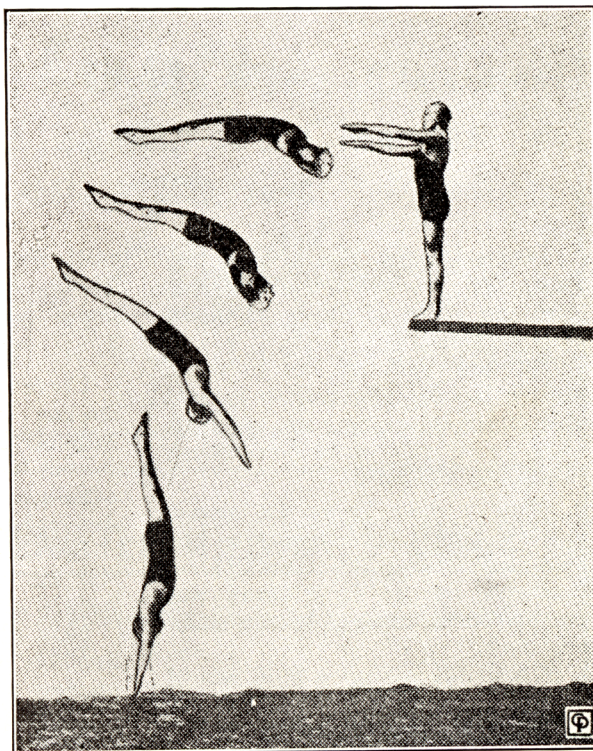
In making this dive the body is carried upward and outward and the diver should try for as much height as possible.

The arms may be extended above the head or at right angles to the body as in this illustration. The arms are kept out at right angles to the body until a point about half

way down is reached, when they are brought above the head in line with the body, the hands touching each other as the entry into the water takes place.

The body is slightly arched, the legs are straight, and the toes well pointed throughout the dive. The entry is the same as in the front dive.

This is a dangerous dive for a novice or for one a bit shaky in self-confidence.



HANDBALL

Tattersall's Have Victory Over Coogee

Things are on the move in the Handball Club and new ground was broken on Wednesday night, March 25, when Tattersall's Club played its first inter-club match.

Opponents in this match were the Coogee Handball Club, no less than twenty games being played with Tattersall's victorious in nineteen of them and drawing the other.

Our chairman, Mr. W. W. Hill, welcomed the visitors, who were entertained at dinner and in the Pool after having indulged in a well-earned and pleasurable swim after their exertions.

The health of the Coogee Club was proposed by Pat Hernon and Bill Tebbutt and responded to by Messrs. Hunt and Berkleman of Coogee.

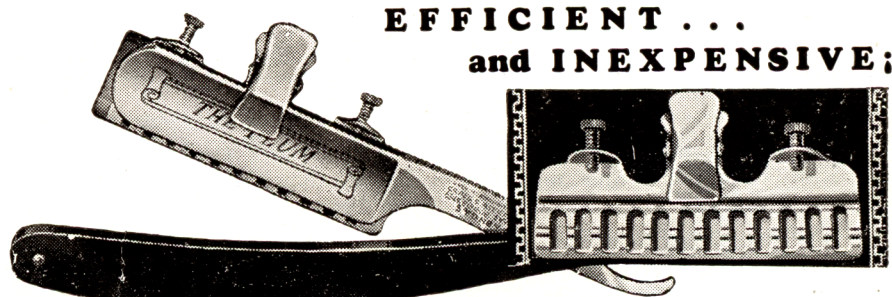
Perhaps the Coogee men were not quite used to our courts but their chance of turning the tables will come on Sunday morning, April 19, when Tattersall's Club will play them at Coogee.

Our Club will be represented by Messrs. W. A. Tebbutt, N. E. Pen-

fold, P. Hernon, K. Hunter, F. Lazarus, S. G. Williams and A. S. Block.

The games of March 25 resulted, Tattersall's Club members being mentioned first:—Utz 31, Deurs 14; Utz 31, Hunt 14; Douglas 31, Waters 13; Douglas 31, Hunt 29; Hunter 31, Lowney 21; Hunter 31, Davis 20; A. W. Buckle 32, Giles

30; Whitehouse 31, Berkleman 18; Lazarus 31, Lowney 19; Lazarus 31, Meera 19; Chilton 31, Meera 23; Chilton 31, Hunt 27; Chilton 31, Berkleman 27; Penfold 31, Davis 26; Penfold 31, Giles 29; Penfold 31, Waters 17; J. Buckle 31, Waters 29; J. Buckle 31, Berkleman 27; Hernon 31, Giles 21; Tebbutt 30, Lowney 30.



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MAY RACE MEETING

SATURDAY, MAY 9th, 1936

THE HURDLE RACE — — — — — ABOUT TWO MILES

A handicap of £250; second £50, third £25 from the prize. The winner of any Hurdle Race or Steeplechase after the declaration of weights to carry 10 lbs. extra. Nomination 10/-; acceptance £1.

THE TWO-YEAR-OLD HANDICAP — — — — — SIX FURLONGS

A handicap of £300; second £50, third £25 from the prize. For Two-Year-Olds. Nomination £1; acceptance £2.

THE FLYING HANDICAP — — — — — SIX FURLONGS

A handicap of £400; second £65, third 35 from the prize. Nomination £1; acceptance £3.

THE NOVICE HANDICAP — — — — — ONE MILE AND A QUARTER

A handicap of £300; second £50, third £25 from the prize. For all horses which have not won a race on the flat (Maiden Races excepted) exceeding £50 in value to the winner up to the time of running. Nomination £1; acceptance £2.

THE JAMES BARNES PLATE — — — — — ONE MILE AND 3 FURLONGS

A handicap of £700; second £100, third £50 from the prize. Nomination £1; acceptance £6.

THE WELTER HANDICAP — — — — — ONE MILE

A handicap of £300; second £50, third £25 from the prize. Lowest handicap weight, 8st. Nomination £1; acceptance £2.

Nominators will be liable for Acceptance Fees for all horses not scratched before 1 o'clock p.m. on Thursday, 7th May, 1936.

A.J.C. Rules of Racing, By-Laws and Regulations to be observed.

Entries for the above Races are to be made with the Secretary of Tattersall's Club, Sydney; the Secretary N.J.C., Newcastle; or Mr. M. P. Considine, 491 Bourke Street, Melbourne, before 4 o'clock p.m. on MONDAY, APRIL 27th, 1936.

Weights to be declared on such day as the Committee may appoint.

If entries are made by telegram, the amount of Nomination Fee must be wired.

PENALTIES—In all flat races a penalty on the following scale shall be carried by the winner of a handicap flat race after the declaration of weights, viz.: When the value of the prize to the winner is £50 or under, 3 lbs.; over £50 and not more than £100, 5 lbs.; over £100, 7 lbs.

The Committee of Tattersall's Club reserve the right to refuse any entry.

Nomination Fee must accompany each entry.

The Committee reserve the power from time to time to make any alteration or modification in this programme, alter the date of running, the sequence of the races, time of starting, and the time for taking entries, declaration of handicaps, forfeits or acceptances.

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T. T. MANNING, Secretary.